

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, May 4, 1998

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PEASE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 4, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable EDWARD A. PEASE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

As the morning brings light into a dark world, so may your gifts of love, O God, bring light and blessing to all people. With the frustrations that mark anyone's day we are grateful that You illumine our days and comfort our souls. Whether we are living on the mountain top of joyful experience or walking through the valley of the shadow of death, we know Your presence can lead us and give us peace. In your name we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. HORN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HORN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed a bill of the following title, in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1900. An act to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposi-

tion of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, and for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair desires to announce that pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bill on Thursday, April 30, 1998:

H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

CORRECTION TO THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD OF THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 1998, PAGES 7378, 7379 AND 7380, RECORDED VOTE NUMBERED 118, MOTION TO COMMIT OFFERED BY MS. NORTON; AND RECORDED VOTE NUMBERED 119, PASSAGE OF THE BILL S. 1502, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA STUDENT OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP ACT OF 1997

MOTION TO COMMIT OFFERED BY MS. NORTON

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I offer a motion to commit the Senate bill to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentlewoman opposed to the Senate bill?

Ms. NORTON. Yes, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to commit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Ms. NORTON moves to commit the bill S. 1502 to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The motion is not debatable.

Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to commit.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to commit.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5 of rule XV, the Chair announces that she will

reduce to a minimum of 5 minutes the period of time within which a vote by electronic device, if ordered, will be taken on the question of passage of the Senate bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 198, noes 224, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 118]

AYES—198

Abercrombie	Hall (OH)	Oberstar
Ackerman	Hamilton	Obey
Allen	Harman	Oliver
Andrews	Hastings (FL)	Ortiz
Baesler	Hefner	Owens
Baldacci	Hillhard	Pallone
Barcia	Hinchey	Pascarell
Barrett (WI)	Hinojosa	Pastor
Becerra	Holden	Payne
Bentsen	Hooley	Pelosi
Berman	Hoyer	Peterson (MN)
Berry	Jackson (IL)	Pomeroy
Bishop	Jackson-Lee	Poshard
Blagojevich	(TX)	Price (NC)
Blumenauer	Jefferson	Rahall
Bonior	John	Ramstad
Borski	Johnson (WI)	Rangel
Boswell	Johnson, E. B.	Reyes
Boucher	Kanjorski	Rivers
Boyd	Kaptur	Rodriguez
Brown (CA)	Kennedy (MA)	Roemer
Brown (FL)	Kennedy (RI)	Rothman
Brown (OH)	Kildee	Roybal-Allard
Capps	Kilpatrick	Rush
Cardin	Kind (WI)	Sabo
Carson	Kleczka	Sanchez
Clay	Klink	Sanders
Clayton	Kucinich	Sawyer
Clement	LaFalce	Schumer
Clyburn	Lampson	Scott
Condit	Lantos	Serrano
Conyers	Lee	Sherman
Costello	Levin	Sisk
Coyne	Lewis (GA)	Sisk
Cramer	Lipinski	Skaggs
Cummings	Lofgren	Skelton
Danner	Lowey	Slaughter
Davis (FL)	Luther	Smith, Adam
Davis (IL)	Maloney (CT)	Snyder
DeFazio	Maloney (NY)	Spratt
DeGette	Manton	Stabenow
DeLauro	Markey	Stark
Deutsch	Martinez	Stenholm
Dicks	Mascara	Stokes
Dingell	Matsui	Strickland
Doggett	McCarthy (MO)	Stupak
Dooley	McCarthy (NY)	Tanner
Doyle	McDermott	Tauscher
Edwards	McGovern	Thompson
Engel	McHale	Thurman
Eshoo	McIntyre	Tierney
Etheridge	McKinney	Torres
Evans	McNulty	Towns
Farr	Meehan	Trafilant
Fattah	Meeks (NY)	Turner
Fazio	Menendez	Velázquez
Filner	Millender	Vento
Ford	McDonald	Visclosky
Frank (MA)	Miller (CA)	Waters
Frost	Minge	Watt (NC)
Furse	Mink	Waxman
Gejdenson	Moakley	Wexler
Gephardt	Mollohan	Weygand
Gordon	Morella	Wise
Green	Murtha	Woolsey
Gutierrez	Nadler	Wynn
	Neal	Yates

NOES—224

Aderholt	Armey	Baker
Archer	Bachus	Ballenger

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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Barr	Goode	Pappas
Barrett (NE)	Goodlatte	Paul
Bartlett	Goodling	Paxon
Barton	Goss	Pease
Bass	Graham	Peterson (PA)
Bereuter	Granger	Petri
Bilbray	Greenwood	Pickering
Bilirakis	Gutknecht	Pickett
Bliley	Hall (TX)	Pitts
Blunt	Hansen	Pombo
Boehlert	Hastert	Porter
Boehner	Hastings (WA)	Portman
Bonilla	Hayworth	Pryce (OH)
Bono	Hefley	Quinn
Brady	Herger	Radanovich
Bryant	Hill	Redmond
Burr	Hilleary	Regula
Burton	Hobson	Riggs
Buyer	Hoekstra	Riley
Callahan	Horn	Rogan
Calvert	Hostettler	Rogers
Camp	Houghton	Rohrabacher
Campbell	Hulshof	Ros-Lehtinen
Canady	Hunter	Roukema
Cannon	Hutchinson	Royce
Castle	Hyde	Ryun
Chabot	Inglis	Salmon
Chambliss	Istook	Sanford
Chenoweth	Jenkins	Saxton
Christensen	Johnson (CT)	Scarborough
Coble	Johnson, Sam	Schaefer, Dan
Coburn	Jones	Schaffer, Bob
Collins	Kasich	Sensenbrenner
Combest	Kelly	Sessions
Cook	Kim	Shadegg
Cooksey	King (NY)	Shaw
Cox	Kingston	Shays
Crane	Klug	Shimkus
Crapo	Knollenberg	Shuster
Cubin	Kolbe	Skeen
Cunningham	LaHood	Smith (NJ)
Davis (VA)	Largent	Smith (OR)
Deal	Latham	Smith (TX)
DeLay	LaTourette	Smith, Linda
Diaz-Balart	Lazio	Snowbarger
Dickey	Leach	Solomon
Doolittle	Lewis (CA)	Souder
Dreier	Lewis (KY)	Spence
Duncan	Linder	Stearns
Dunn	Livingston	Stump
Ehlers	LoBlundo	Sununu
Ehrlich	Lucas	Talent
Emerson	Manzullo	Tauzin
English	McCollum	Taylor (MS)
Ensign	McCrery	Taylor (NC)
Everett	McDade	Thomas
Ewing	McInnis	Thornberry
Fawell	McIntosh	Thune
Foley	McKeon	Tiahrt
Forbes	Metcalf	Upton
Fossella	Mica	Walsh
Fowler	Miller (FL)	Wamp
Fox	Moran (KS)	Watkins
Franks (NJ)	Moran (VA)	Watts (OK)
Frelinghuysen	Myrick	Weldon (FL)
Gallely	Nethercutt	Weldon (PA)
Ganske	Neumann	Weller
Gekas	Ney	White
Gibbons	Northup	
Gilchrest	Norwood	
Gillmor	Nussle	
Gilman	Oxley	
Gingrich	Packard	

NOT VOTING—11

Bateman	Kennelly	Sandlin
Bunning	McHugh	Smith (MI)
Dixon	Meek (FL)	Young (AK)
Gonzalez	Parker	

□ 1453

The Clerk announced the following pairs:

On this vote:

Mrs. Kennelly of Connecticut for, with Mr. Young of Arkansas against.

Mrs. Meek of Florida for, with Mr. Smith of Michigan against.

Mrs. CHENOWETH changed her vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. VENTO and Mr. ANDREWS changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the motion to commit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. EMERSON). The question is on the passage of the Senate bill.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 214, noes 206, answered "present" 1, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 119]

AYES—214

Aderholt	Franks (NJ)	Mica
Archer	Frelinghuysen	Miller (FL)
Armey	Gallely	Moran (KS)
Bachus	Ganske	Moran (VA)
Baker	Gekas	Myrick
Ballenger	Gibbons	Nethercutt
Barr	Gilchrest	Neumann
Bartlett	Gillmor	Ney
Barton	Gilman	Northup
Bass	Gingrich	Norwood
Bereuter	Goode	Nussle
Bono	Goodlatte	Oxley
Boyd	Goodling	Packard
Brady	Goss	Pappas
Bryant	Graham	Paxon
Burr	Granger	Pease
Burton	Greenwood	Peterson (PA)
Buyer	Gutknecht	Petri
Callahan	Hansen	Pickering
Calvert	Hastert	Pitts
Camp	Hastings (WA)	Pombo
Campbell	Hayworth	Porter
Canady	Hefley	Portman
Cannon	Herger	Pryce (OH)
Castle	Hill	Quinn
Chabot	Hilleary	Radanovich
Chambliss	Hobson	Redmond
Chenoweth	Hoekstra	Regula
Christensen	Horn	Riggs
Coble	Hostettler	Riley
Coburn	Houghton	Rogan
Collins	Hulshof	Rogers
Combest	Hunter	Rohrabacher
Condit	Hyde	Ros-Lehtinen
Cook	Inglis	Royce
Cooksey	Istook	Ryun
Cox	Jenkins	Salmon
Crane	Johnson, Sam	Sanford
Cubin	Jones	Saxton
Cunningham	Kasich	Scarborough
Davis (VA)	Kelly	Schaefer, Dan
Deal	Kim	Schaffer, Bob
DeLay	King (NY)	Sensenbrenner
Largent	Kingston	Sessions
Latham	Klug	Shadegg
Lazio	Knollenberg	Shaw
LaTourette	Kolbe	Shays
Leach	LaHood	Shimkus
Lewis (CA)	Largent	Shuster
Lewis (KY)	Latham	Skeen
Linder	LaTourette	Smith (NJ)
Lipinski	Lazio	Smith (OR)
Livingston	Lewis (CA)	Smith (TX)
Lucas	Lewis (KY)	Smith, Linda
Manzullo	Linder	Snowbarger
McCollum	Lipinski	Solomon
McCrery	Livingston	Souder
McDade	Lucas	Spence
McInnis	Manzullo	Stearns
McIntosh	McCollum	Stump
McKeon	McCrery	Sununu
Metcalf	Talent	
	Tauzin	
	Taylor (MS)	
	Taylor (NC)	
	Thomas	

Thornberry
Thune
Tiahrt
Upton
Walsh
Wamp

Watkins
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
White

Whitfield
Wicker
Wolf
Young (FL)

NOES—206

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Allen
Andrews
Baesler
Baldacci
Barcia
Barrett (WI)
Becerra
Bentsen
Berman
Berry
Bishop
Blagojevich
Blumenauer
Boehlert
Bonior
Borski
Boswell
Boucher
Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
Capps
Cardin
Carson
Clay
Clayton
Clement
Clyburn
Conyers
Costello
Coyne
Cramer
Crapo
Cummings
Danner
Davis (FL)
Davis (IL)
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
Deutsch
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Dooley
Doyle
Edwards
Engel
English
Eshoo
Etheridge
Evans
Farr
Fattah
Fawell
Fazio
Filner
Ford
Frank (MA)
Frost
Furse
Gejdenson
Gephardt
Gordon
Green
Gutierrez
Hall (OH)
Hamilton

Harman
Hastings (FL)
Hefner
Hilliard
Hinchey
Hinojosa
Holden
Hoolley
Hoyer
Hutchinson
Jackson (IL)
Jackson-Lee (TX)
Jefferson
John
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (WI)
Johnson, E. B.
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kennedy (MA)
Kennedy (RI)
Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kind (WI)
Klecza
Klink
Kucinich
LaFalce
Lampson
Lantos
Leach
Lee
Levin
Lewis (GA)
LoBlundo
Lofgren
Lowey
Luther
Maloney (CT)
Maloney (NY)
Manton
Markey
Martinez
Mascara
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McDermott
McGovern
McHale
McHugh
McIntyre
McKinney
McNulty
Meehan
Meeks (NY)
Menendez
Millender
McDonald
Miller (CA)
Minge
Mink
Moakley
Mollohan
Morella
Murtha
Nadler
Neal
Oberstar

Obey
Oliver
Ortiz
Owens
Pallone
Pascarella
Pastor
Payne
Pelosi
Peterson (MN)
Pickett
Pomeroy
Poshard
Price (NC)
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Reyes
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rothman
Roukema
Roybal-Allard
Rush
Sabo
Sanchez
Sanders
Sawyer
Schumer
Scott
Serrano
Sherman
Siskiy
Skaggs
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith, Adam
Snyder
Spratt
Stabenow
Stark
Stenholm
Stokes
Strickland
Stupak
Tanner
Tauscher
Thompson
Thurman
Tierney
Torres
Towns
Trafficant
Turner
Velázquez
Vento
Visclosky
Waters
Watt (NC)
Waxman
Wexler
Weygand
Wise
Woolsey
Wynn
Yates
Young (AK)

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Paul

NOT VOTING—12

Bateman
Boehner
Brown (CA)
Bunning

Dixon
Gonzalez
Hall (TX)
Kennelly
Meek (FL)
Parker
Sandlin
Smith (MI)

□ 1504

The Clerk announced the following pairs:

On this vote:

Mr. Bunning for, with Mrs. Kennelly of Connecticut against.

Mr. Smith of Michigan for, with Mrs. Meek of Florida against.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the Senate bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

Mr. HORN, and to include therein extraneous material, notwithstanding the fact that it exceeds 2 pages of the RECORD and is estimated by the Public Printer to cost \$1,497.

The following Members (at the request of Mr. HORN) and to include extraneous matter:

Mr. FORBES.

Mr. WOLF.

Mr. HORN.

Mr. SCHUMER.

Mr. BONIOR.

Mr. SERRANO.

Mr. PALLONE.

Mr. KIND.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3579. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on the following dates present to the President, for his approval, a bill, and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles:

On April 30, 1998:

H.R. 3579. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

On May 1, 1998:

H.J. Res. 102. Joint resolution expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 5, 1998, at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8839. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 1997-98 Crop Year for Tart Cherries [FV97-930-6 FR] received May 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8840. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Esfenvalerate; Pesticide Tolerances [OPP-300634; FRL-5781-8] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8841. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Subordination of Direct Loan Basic Security to Secure a Guaranteed Line of Credit (RIN: 0560-AE92) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8842. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Dairy Indemnity Payment Program (RIN: 0560-AF-30) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8843. A letter from the Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Cooperative Marketing Associations (RIN: 0560-AF33) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8844. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting an interim report on the progress of the Mental Health Wraparound Demonstration Project; to the Committee on National Security.

8845. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting Final Priorities—Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities; and Research and Innovation to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

8846. A letter from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule—Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities—received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

8847. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Management of Financial Assistance Report Deliverables [98-02] received April 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8848. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Environment, Safety and Health Reporting [DOE O 231.1 Chg 2] received April 14, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8849. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting

the Department's final rule—Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Antilock Brake Systems [FHWA Docket No. MC-94-31; FHWA-97-2318] (RIN: 2125-AD42) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8850. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York State Implementations Plan Revision [Region II Docket No. NY25-2-173b, FRL-5995-4] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8851. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Technical Amendments to OMB Control Numbers [OPPTS-00191; FRL-5724-3] received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8852. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Substituted Phenol; Significant New Use Rule [OPPTS-50622D; FRL-5782-5] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8853. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans Georgia: Approval of Revisions for Transportation Control Measures [GA-035-9807a; FRL-6004-8] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8854. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Recycled Used Oil Management Standards [FRL-5969-4] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8855. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Oklahoma: Final Authorization and Incorporation By Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management Program [FRL-6003-4] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8856. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources: General Provisions; National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories: General Provisions [AD-FRL-6003-7] (RIN: 2060-AH94) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8857. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—OMB Approval Numbers Under the Paperwork Reduction Act [FRL-5670-1] received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8858. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—OMB Approval Numbers Under the Paperwork Reduction

Act [FRL-5807-2] received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8859. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Final Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions From Wood Furniture Manufacturing Operations; Correction [AD-FRL-5833-6] received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8860. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Final Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions From Wood Furniture Manufacturing Operations [AD-FRL-5336-2] received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

8861. A letter from the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, transmitting the Board's report entitled "1997 Findings and Recommendations," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 10268; to the Committee on Commerce.

8862. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold under a contract to the Sweden (Transmittal No. DTC-62-98), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

8863. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold under a contract to Turkey (Transmittal No. DTC-60-98), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

8864. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 5731; to the Committee on International Relations.

8865. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's annual report of activities for fiscal year 1997, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-732 and 1-734(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8866. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to the Procurement List received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8867. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Procurement List Additions and Deletions received April 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8868. A letter from the Human Resources Manager, CoBank, transmitting the annual report of the Comptrollers' ACB Retirement Plan for the year ending December 31, 1996, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9503(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8869. A letter from the Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom

of Information Act for the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8870. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment of Department of Transportation Acquisition Regulations [48 CFR Parts 1201, 1202, 1203, 1205, 1206, 1209, 1214, 1216, 1217, 1222, 1224, 1225, 1236, 1237, 1246, and 1252] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8871. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8872. A letter from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the Office's final rule—Freedom of Information Act (RIN: 0348-AB42) received May 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8873. A letter from the Director, Operations and Finance, The American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

8874. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Criteria and Procedures for Proposed Assessment of Civil Penalties (RIN: 1219-AA49) received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

8875. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Screening Requirements of Carriers [INS No. 1697-95] (RIN: 1115-AD97) received April 29, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8876. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Amendment of the Regulatory Definition of Arriving Alien [INS Order No. 1868-97] (RIN: 1115-AE87) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8877. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747-200F and -200C Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-127-AD; Amendment 39-10498; AD 98-09-17] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8878. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Flight Rules in the Vicinity of Grand Canyon National Park [Docket No. 28537; Amendment Nos. 91-257, 121-270, 135-72, 93-76] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8879. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; EXTRA Flugzeugbau GmbH Models EA-300 and EA-300S Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-91-AD; Amendment 39-10490; AD 98-09-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8880. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Avions Pierre Robin Model R3000/160 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-97-AD; Amendment 39-10488; AD 98-09-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8881. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Lockheed Model L-1011-385 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-125-AD; Amendment 39-10492; AD 98-09-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8882. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11 and MD-11F Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-126-AD; Amendment 39-10491; AD 98-08-11] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8883. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F27 Mark 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600 and 700 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-186-AD; Amendment 39-10486; AD 98-09-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8884. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace BAe Model ATP Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-226-AD; Amendment 39-10484; AD 98-09-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8885. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Washington Court House, OH [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-1] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8886. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Saab Model SAAB SF340A and SAAB 340B Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-135-AD; Amendment 39-10485; AD 98-09-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8887. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 and A300-600 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-337-AD; Amendment 39-10482; AD 98-09-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8888. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Aerospatiale Model ATR72 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-263-AD; Amendment 39-10483; AD 98-09-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8889. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of Class E Airspace; Alice, TX [Airspace Docket No. 97-ASW-27] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8890. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Athens, OH [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-3] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8891. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of Class E Airspace; Springfield, IL [Airspace Docket No. 98-AGL-4] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8892. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Aerospatiale Model ATR-42 and ATR-72 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 98-NM-124-AD; Amendment 39-10497; AD 98-09-16] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8893. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Alexander Schleicher GmbH Segelflugzeugbau Model ASH-26E Sailplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-118-AD; Amendment 39-10489; AD 98-09-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8894. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Two-Way End-of-Train Telemetry Devices and Certain Passenger Train Operations [FRA Docket No. PB-9, Notice No. 11] (RIN: 2130-AB22) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8895. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Passenger Train Emergency Preparedness [FRA Docket No. PTEP-1, Notice No. 3] (RIN: 2130-AA96) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8896. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Notice of Hazardous Conditions/Immediate Reporting of Casualties [CGD 94-027 and CGD 94-030] (RIN: 2115-AE82 and 2115-AE89) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8897. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone; Colorado River, Laughlin, Nevada [COTP San Diego; 98-009] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8898. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Hobucken, NC [CGD05-98-030] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Com-

mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8899. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Anchorage Area: Special Anchorage, Hudson River, at Hyde Park, NY [CGD01 97-017] (RIN: 2115-AA98) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8900. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Security Zone Regulations: New London Harbor, Connecticut [CGD01-97-104] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8901. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone: San Diego Bay, CA [COTP San Diego, CA; 97-004] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8902. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulations: Thunderboat Regatta [CGD11-97-006] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8903. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Lockheed Model L-1011 Series Airplanes Equipped with Rolls Royce Model RB211-22B Engines [Docket No. 96-NM-59-AD; Amendment 39-10504; AD 98-09-23] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8904. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Industrie Model A320 and A321 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 95-NM-143-AD; Amendment 39-10499; AD 98-09-18] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8905. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9, DC-9-80, and C-9 (Military) Series Airplanes, and Model MD-88 Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-199-AD; Amendment 39-10500; AD 98-09-19] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8906. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace (Jetstream) Model 4101 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-217-AD; Amendment 39-10502; AD 98-09-21] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8907. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 96-NM-248-AD; Amendment 39-10501; AD 98-09-20] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8908. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting

the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Aerospatiale Model ATR42-200, -300, and -320 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-303-AD; Amendment 39-10503; AD 98-09-22] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8909. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company Model 1900D Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-68-AD; Amendment 39-10493; AD 98-09-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8910. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Diamond Aircraft Industries Models HK 36 TTS and HK 36 TTC Sailplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-132-AD; Amendment 39-10495; AD 98-09-14] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8911. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Alexander Schleicher Segelflugzeugbau Model ASK 21 Sailplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-104-AD; Amendment 39-10494; AD 98-09-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8912. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Dornier Luftfahrt GmbH Models 228-100, 228-101, 228-200, and 228-201 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-124-AD; Amendment 39-10391; AD 98-06-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8913. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; The New Piper Aircraft, Inc. Models PA-31, PA-31-300, PA-31-325, and PA 31-350 Airplanes [Docket No. 97-CE-48-AD; Amendment 39-10506; AD 98-09-25] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8914. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29199; Amdt. No. 1865] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8915. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29198; Amdt. No. 1864] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8916. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29164; Amdt. No. 1860] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8917. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29163; Amdt. No. 1859] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8918. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29162; Amdt. No. 1858] (RIN: 2120-AA65) received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8919. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; Cape Girardeau, MO [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-2] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8920. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; St. Joseph, MO [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-6] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8921. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Columbia, MO [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-3] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8922. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; Joplin, MO; Correction [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-4] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8923. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; Joplin, MO; Correction [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-4] received April 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8924. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Laboratory Directed Research and Development [DOE O 413.2] received April 14, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

8925. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of Public Debt, transmitting the Bureau's final rule—Regulations Governing Book-Entry Treasury BONDS, Notes, and Bills; Determination Regarding State Statute; South Dakota [31 CFR Part 357] received April 21, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8926. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Empowerment Zones: Rule for Second Round Designations [Docket No. FR-428-1-04] (RIN: 2506-AB97) received April 20, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8927. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting

the Service's final rule—Trade or Business Expenses [Revenue Ruling 98-25] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8928. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Abolishment of Boca Grande as a port of entry [T.D. 98-37] received May 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8929. A letter from the Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting the Office of Thrift Supervision's 1997 Annual Consumer Report to Congress, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1462a(g); jointly to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services and Commerce.

8930. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the fourth annual report on Building Energy Efficiency Standards Activities, pursuant to Public Law 102-486, section 101(a) (106 Stat. 2786); jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure.

8931. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a report entitled "A Role for Federal Purchasing in Commercializing New Energy-Efficient and Renewable-Energy Technologies"; jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Science.

8932. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that the President proposes to exercise his authority under section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the "Act"), to authorize the furnishing of defense articles and services to the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2364(a)(1); jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

8933. A letter from the Secretary of Defense and Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report on the implementation on that portion of the law dealing with sharing of health care resources between the two departments, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 811(f); jointly to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and National Security.

8934. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a report to Congress describing its plans for the first phase of the Medicare subvention demonstration as well as plans regarding subsequent demonstration phases; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means, Commerce, and National Security.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

*(The following action occurred on April 30, 1998)
(Omitted from the Record of April 30, 1998)*

H.R. 1778. Referral to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Commerce for a period ending not later than June 2, 1998.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) introduced a bill (H.R. 3788) to provide for pension reform, and for other purposes; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

303. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 10 memorializing the recognition of state and county rights-of-way under Revised Statute 2477 and take appropriate action to invalidate the proposed policy change for forest roadless areas; to the Committee on Agriculture.

304. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 9 memorializing that Congress amend the Idaho Admission Bill to provide a reference to the Public School Permanent Endowment Fund; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

305. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 14 memorializing the Congress of the United States to take action immediately to terminate the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project with no RECORD of Decision being Approved; to the Committee on Resources.

306. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 13 memorializing the Congress of the United States to adopt, in as timely a manner as possible, a multiyear federal surface transportation program reauthorization legislation; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 662: Mr. SERRANO and Mr. SHAYS.
H.R. 1401: Mr. FOLEY.
H.R. 2009: Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MANTON, Mr. BOEHLERT, and Mrs. EMERSON.
H.R. 2154: Mrs. CLAYTON.
H.R. 3033: Mr. GEPHARDT.
H.R. 3099: Mrs. EMERSON.
H.R. 3127: Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. HORN, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. EVANS, Mr. PAPPAS, and Mr. HILLIARD.

H.R. 3181: Ms. FURSE and Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD.

H.R. 3247: Mr. FATTAH, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, and Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 3269: Ms. KILPATRICK and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 3341: Mr. SERRANO.
H.R. 3538: Ms. PELOSI.

H.R. 3648: Mr. KING of New York, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. KELLY, and Mr. BOEHLERT.

H. Con. Res. 239: Mr. PORTER and Ms. FURSE.

H. Con. Res. 264: Mr. COOK, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. TRAFICANT, and Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts.

H. Res. 399: Mr. RAMSTAD.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 6 of rule XXIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 6

OFFERED BY: MR. OWENS

AMENDMENT NO. 78: Page 349, after line 9, insert the following:

TITLE XI—INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION RECRUITMENT

SEC. 1101. POSTSECONDARY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION RECRUITMENT.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

(1) There are more than 200,000 to 400,000 vacancies in various categories of information technology jobs.

(2) From 1996 to 2005, more than 1,300,000 new computer scientists, engineers, and systems analysts will be required in the United States to fill vacant jobs, which equals 136,800 new workers per year.

(3) Systems analysts will experience the largest job growth, accounting for a 103 percent increase in the number of new positions from 1996 (506,000) to 2005 (1,025,000).

(4) The shortage of information technology workers transcends industries, affecting the manufacturing, service, transportation, health care, education, and government sectors. Within each sector, vacancies exist at all levels from aides and mechanics to programmers and designers.

(5) The information technology worker shortage is having an adverse effect on the viability of businesses in the United States and on the Nation's competitiveness. Industry surveys report that half of industry executives cite the lack of workers skilled in technology as the number one obstacle to their company's growth. An additional 20 percent of industry executives identify the lack of information technology workers as a major obstacle to their company's growth.

(6) A major factor affecting the short supply of information technology workers is the mismatch between what universities teach and what industry needs.

(7) It is in the national interest to promote special initiatives which effectively educate and train our domestic workforce to keep pace with these expanding job opportunities.

(8) Institutions of higher education have the capacity and resources to provide a role of oversight and technical assistance to a wide range of local entities, including community-based organizations, participating in a comprehensive education and training program for potential technology workers.

(9) Higher education institutions must be responsive to the digital environment and expand both their outreach efforts and on-campus activities to train and certify individuals to close the information technology worker gap.

(b) AMENDMENT.—Title II is amended by adding at the end the following:

"PART G—INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION RECRUITMENT

"SEC. 281. PARTNERSHIPS FOR POSTSECONDARY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION RECRUITMENT.

"(a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants under this section, in accordance with competitive criteria established by the Secretary, to institutions of higher education, in order to establish, oversee the operation of, and provide technical assistance to, projects described in paragraph (2).

"(2) PROJECTS.—Projects under this section shall be projects implemented by a community-based organization described in subsection (b), or by the institution of higher education receiving the grant, to provide postsecondary information technology education.

"(3) RESTRICTIONS.—An institution of higher education shall be eligible to receive only one grant under this section, but may, subject to the requirements of this section, use the grant to enter into contracts with more than one community-based organization. A community-based organization shall not be eligible to enter into a contract under this section with more than one institution of higher education.

"(4) PERIOD OF GRANT.—The provision of payments under a grant under this section shall not exceed 5 fiscal years and shall be subject to the annual approval of the Secretary and subject to the availability of appropriations for each fiscal year involved.

"(b) COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), a community-based organization described in this subsection is an entity that, at the time the entity enters into a contract with an institution of higher education for a project under this section, and throughout the duration of that contract—

"(A) is—

"(i) a governmental agency; or

"(ii) an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code; and

"(B) is one of the following:

"(i) A local partnership (as defined in section 4 of the School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994) receiving a grant under section 302 of such Act.

"(ii) An entity organized and operated for religious purposes.

"(iii) An entity furnishing school-age child care services after school.

"(iv) A community-based college computer recruitment center.

"(v) An entity furnishing adult education.

"(vi) A library.

"(vii) A museum.

"(viii) Any other entity organized and operated for cultural, literary, or educational purposes.

"(2) LIMITATION.—An entity shall not be considered a community-based organization described in this subsection unless, at the time the entity enters into a contract with an institution of higher education for a project under this section, it has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Secretary that—

"(A) it has the capacity successfully to recruit eligible individuals described in subsection (c) for participation in a project described in subsection (a), consistent with the enrollment requirements in subsection (d)(2)(E);

"(B) it is providing an educational service, social service, or employment procurement service; and

"(C) in the case of an entity that independently manages its own finances, it has been in existence 2 years or more.

"(c) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—An eligible individual described in this subsection is an individual who—

"(1) has submitted a satisfactory application to receive postsecondary information technology education recruitment assistance through a project under this section; and

"(2) has a certificate of graduation from a school providing secondary education, or the recognized equivalent of such a certificate.

"(d) DUTIES.—

"(1) INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—An institution of higher education receiving a grant under this section shall use the funds provided under the grant to carry out the following duties:

"(A) Final selection of community-based organizations described in subsection (b) desiring to provide, at one or more sites, in accordance with a contract with the institution of higher education and this section, postsecondary information technology education and employment procurement assistance to eligible individuals described in subsection (c).

"(B) Entering into a contract with each community-based organization selected under subparagraph (A) under which the institution and the organization agree to carry out the duties respectively required of them under this section with respect to each site described in subparagraph (A).

"(C) With respect to each site described in subparagraph (A)—

"(i) design of a process for the recruitment of students from the site to enroll in college courses or matriculate in college programs;

"(ii) provision of such funding for the establishment and initial operation of the site as was specified in the grant application submitted by the institution to the Secretary;

"(iii) approval of final site selection and preparation;

"(iv) initial orientation and training of personnel employed to manage and operate the site;

"(v) design and certification of the instructional and academic programs, and oversight of the implementation of the programs;

"(vi) oversight of equipment purchases and contracts for equipment maintenance; and

"(vii) selection of an outside contractor for periodic evaluation of the management and operation of the site.

"(2) COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—A community-based organization implementing a project under this section with an institution of higher education, at one or more sites, shall carry out the duties described in this paragraph, with respect to each such site, subject to the oversight and guidance of the institution.

"(B) GENERAL DUTIES.—The organization—

"(i) shall undertake final site selection and preparation;

"(ii) shall recruit and hire a site director;

"(iii) shall carry out any supplementary instructional, academic, or educational activities specified in the contract with the institution of higher education that are not described in subparagraph (D);

"(iv) shall assemble an advisory committee composed of individuals residing in the community in which the site is located, as well as industry representatives, who desire to assist the organization in ensuring that the goals of the organization are consistent with the goals and needs of the community population;

"(v) shall provide to the institution other evidence of volunteer support from among individuals residing in the community in which the site is located and industry representatives;

"(vi) shall recruit eligible individuals for enrollment, subject to subparagraph (E); and

"(vii) shall maintain waiting lists of eligible individuals desiring to enroll in the project's programs.

"(C) SITE REQUIREMENTS.—The organization shall ensure that each site—

"(i) has a minimum of 20 fully functioning computers with sufficient capacity to perform all of the computer operations that are

the subject of the curriculum specified in subparagraph (D);

"(ii) in addition to the space for the computers described in clause (i), has—

"(I) a classroom space with the capacity for seating a minimum of 30 students; and

"(II) a separate office for the site director;

"(iii) is real property subject to the control of the organization or the institution, through a lease or other legal instrument, for a period of not less than 5 years;

"(iv) is open to enrolled individuals not less than 12 hours per day; and

"(v) is located within walking distance of public transportation.

"(D) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—The organization shall ensure that each site offers enrollees a curriculum that includes a broad range of course work in information technology.

"(ii) COURSES LEADING TO CERTIFICATION.—Such curriculum shall include course work leading to a certification of competence in areas of information technology recognized by the National Skill Standards Board established under the National Skill Standards Act of 1994.

"(iii) SPECIFIC COURSES.—The computer training offered shall include courses in basic computer competence, on-the-job upgrade assistance, and advanced computer competence.

"(E) ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS.—The organization shall ensure that its enrollment of eligible individuals at each site is consistent with the following:

"(i) Not less than 50 percent of the eligible individuals shall be, at the time of enrollment, individuals—

"(I) to whom a credit was allowed under section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for the preceding taxable year;

"(II) who are recipients of assistance under a State program funded under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act;

"(III) who are a member of a household participating in the food stamp program; or

"(IV) who are considered low-income pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Secretary under this section.

"(ii) Not less than 50 percent of the eligible individuals shall be, at the time of enrollment, under 25 years of age.

"(iii) No prerequisite relating to net worth, income, or assets may be applied to any eligible individual who, at the time of enrollment, is over 50 years of age, except that this requirement shall not be construed to supersede clause (i).

"(e) IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS SOLELY BY INSTITUTIONS.—The Secretary may make a grant under this section to an institution of higher education that desires to implement a project under this section without the participation of a community-based organization described in subsection (b), if the institution agrees to carry out all of the duties required of such an organization under this section, in addition to the duties otherwise required of an institution of higher education. The Secretary shall, in awarding grants under this section, give priority to institutions of higher education whose grant application includes an assurance that the institution will contract with one or more community-based organizations in accordance with this section.

"(f) APPLICATIONS.—To apply for a grant under this section for any fiscal year, an institution of higher education shall submit an

application to the Secretary in accordance with the procedures established by the Secretary. The application shall specify the institution's preliminary selections for the community-based organizations (if any) with which the institution proposes to contract, and shall include information with respect to preliminary site selections.

"(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 1999 and such sums as may be necessary for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years.

"(h) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

"(1) ADULT EDUCATION.—The term 'adult education' has the meaning given such term in section 312 of the Adult Education Act.

"(2) COMMUNITY-BASED COLLEGE COMPUTER RECRUITMENT CENTER.—The term 'community-based college computer recruitment center' means a computer center—

"(A) funded by both the Federal Government and at least one private sector entity;

"(B) located in a low-income community (as determined by the Secretary); and

"(C) organized and operated for the purpose of providing families with access to computer resources that otherwise would not be available to them.

"(3) FOOD STAMP PROGRAM.—The term 'food stamp program' has the meaning given such term in section 3(h) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977.

"(4) LIBRARY.—The term 'library' has the meaning given such term in section 213 of the Library Services and Technology Act.

"(5) MUSEUM.—The term 'museum' has the meaning given such term in section 272 of the Museum and Library Services Act."